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The report contains a

sketch of Kaliningrad (N 54-45, E 20-30) with a legend listing 62 installations; a sketch of Kaliningrad Oblast with a legend listing twelve installations; and information on military garrisons, airfields, and restricted zones in the following cities: Kaliningrad, Chernyakhovsk (N 54-39, E 21, 50), Baltiysk (N 54-39, E 19-53), Zheleznodorozhnyy (N 54-21, E 21-19), Bagrationovsk (N 54-23, E 20-40), Gvardeysk (N 54-39, E 21-05), Iadushkin (N 54-34, E 20-14), Pionerskiy (N 54-56, E 20-14), Polessk (N 54-52, E 21, 08), Payze, Mamonovo (N 54-28, E 19-57), Pravdinsk (N 54-27, E 21-01), Gusev (N 54-36, E 22-13), and Sovetsk (N 55-06, E 21-50).

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CITY OF KALININGRAD

1. The City of Kaliningrad [formerly Königsberg], (N 54-45, E 20-30), the capital of Kaliningradskaya oblast, RSFSR, was almost completely destroyed during World War II and, as of 1955, was still undergoing reconstruction. Temporary structures had been erected mainly in the city's southern sector, (see [redacted] sketch on page 5, and legend for same on pages 2, 3, and 4). 25X1
Its 1955 population of approximately one million inhabitants included Russians, Byelorussians, Poles, Ukrainians, and Jews. (All the German and Prussian people had been driven out of the city in 1949.) Kaliningrad, like other large cities in the oblast, had an important military garrison. An army general just below the rank of marshal was in charge of all military forces in the Kaliningradskaya oblast.
2. Legend for [redacted] sketch of the City of Kaliningrad. (Refer to sketch on page 5.) 25X1
 - (1) Military airfield equipped with runways for jet aircraft.
 - (2) Fish cannery.
 - (3) Location of the First Tank Regiment.
 - (4) Military base. The troops included at least one armored division.
 - (5) Tank-training field.
 - (6) Brewery.
 - (7) Settlement for brewery employees.
 - (8) K.R.CH of the fleet (significance of initials unknown).
 - (9) An unidentified plant which manufactured overhead traveling cranes which were used in construction work.
 - (10) A garage belonging to the Ministry of Kolkhozy.
 - (11) The Kalinin Clinic and Hospital.
 - (12) "Bear guard of the fleet" (a sort of naval base which, moreover, had stores of provisions and armaments).
 - (13) Military Commissariat of the Leningradskiy rayon.
 - (14) Military hospital.
 - (15) Naval officers' training school.
 - (16) Municipal garage.

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- (17) Artillery officers' training school.
- (18) Destroyed viaduct.
- (19) Prison.
- (20) Hotel Moscow.
- (21) Offices of the Kaliningradskaya Pravda newspaper.
- (22) Offices and headquarters of the MVD.
- (23) An unidentified MVD building.
- (24) Riga railroad station. It had underground connections with the Central Railroad Station (No. 58 on sketch).
- (25) Telephone exchange.
- (26) Kolkhoz market.
- (27) An abandoned park.
- (28) Royal palace (almost destroyed).
- (29) Lake (unidentified).
- (30) Lake (unidentified).
- (31) Garage. This housed trucks used for transporting grain.
- (32) Cellulose Combine No. 1.
- (33) Settlement for employees of Cellulose Combine No. 1.
- (34) Streetcar line No. 7.
- (35) Pregolya River (it was canalized).
- (36) Streetcar line No. 3.
- (37) Central clinic.
- (38) Oblast Military Commissariat.
- (39) Oblast CP Secretariat.
- (40) Gas plant.
- (41) Plant which manufactured railroad freight cars.
- (42) Cemetery.
- (43) Park.
- (44) Streetcar line No. 4.
- (45) Streetcar line (number unknown).
- (46) Cemetery.

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- (47) Theater.
- (48) Cellulose Combine No. 2.
- (49) Fishing harbor.
- (50) Pregolya River
- (51) Bridges spanning two canals over the Pregolya River.
- (52) Venereal clinic.
- (53) Tuberculosis clinic.
- (54) Quarters for the Leningradskiy rayon Party Committee.
- (55) Civilian airport.
- (56) Freight station.
- (57) Car barn.
- (58) Central railroad station.
- (59) Location of fuel dumps.
- (60) Sausage factory.
- (61) Machine shops belonging to the "Fleet".
- (62) Location of the First Moscow Division.

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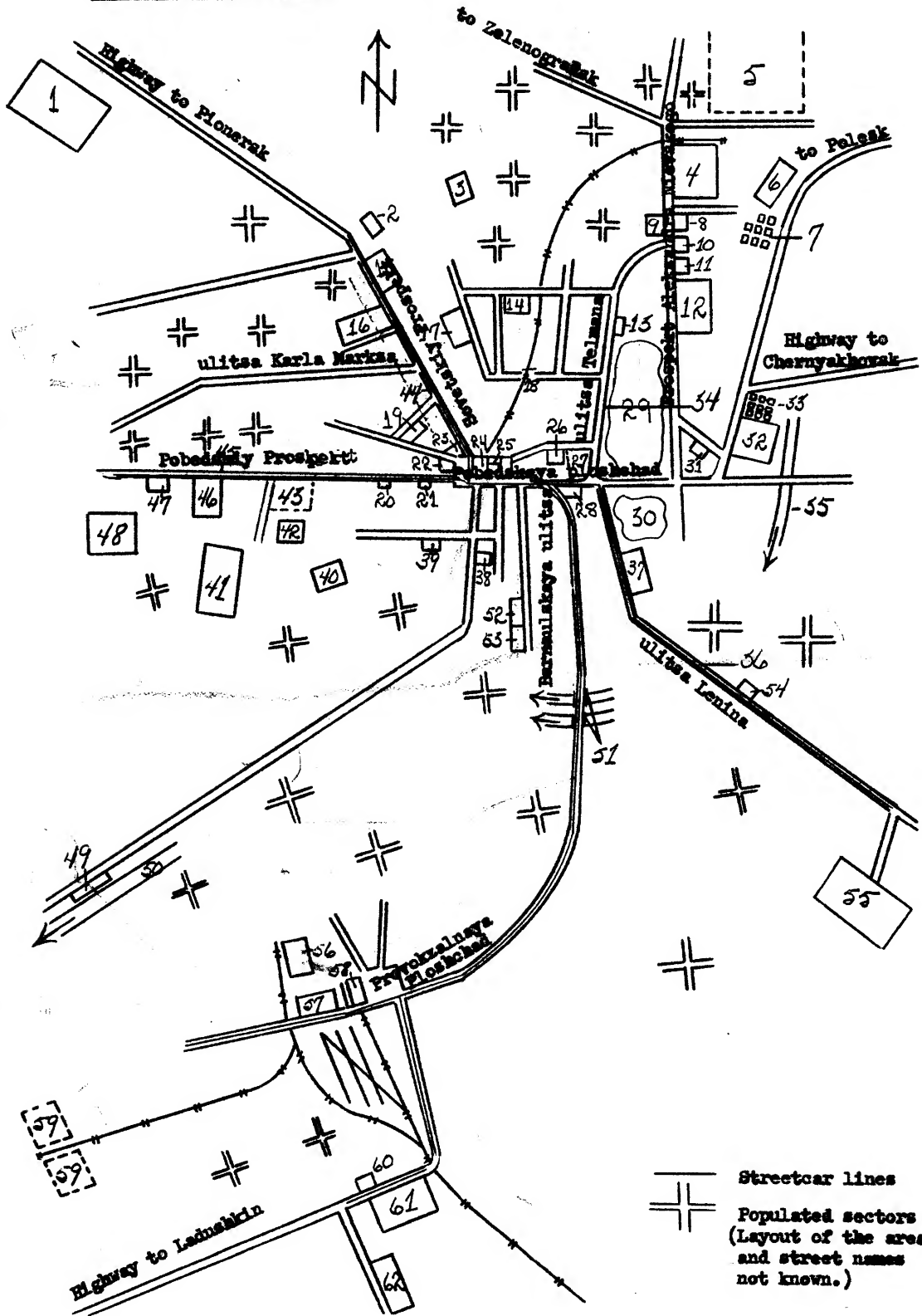
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Sketch of
the City of Kaliningrad

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Streetcar lines

Populated sectors
(Layout of the areas
and street names
not known.)

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2. MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION ON OTHER CITIES IN THE KALININGRADSKAYA OBLAST

3. [redacted] cities and localities
in the Kaliningradskaya oblast: (Refer to sketch on page 9.)

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- a. Chernyakhovsk (N 54-³⁹39, E 21-⁵⁰50): An important military garrison was based in Chernyakhovsk; about six kilometers northeast of the city was a target range (No. 11 on sketch) which was used by artillery and tank units stationed in Chernyakhovsk and other cities in the Kaliningradskaya oblast. The city had two airfields, one located three or four kilometers southwest and the other the same distance northwest of the city (Nos. 9 and 10 on sketch). The airfields, formerly used by the Germans, had been renovated and the runways adapted for jet aircraft use.
- b. Baltiysk (N 54-³⁹39, E 19-⁵³53): Baltiysk was a naval base in a restricted zone; the Third Baltic Fleet, commanded by Admiral Golovko (fnm) was based in the city. Naval Shipyard No. 820 was located in the outskirts southwest of the city (No. 3 on sketch). The restricted area began at Primorsk (N 54-⁴⁴44, E 20-⁰⁰00).
- c. Zheleznodorozhnyy (N 54-²¹21, E 21-²⁹29): This was a restricted border zone and an important railroad center with connections to Poland and East Germany. An important military garrison, consisting of regular army forces and border patrol units, was located in the area.
- d. Bagrationovsk (N 54-²³23, E 20-⁴⁰40): This was a restricted area bordering on Poland. An important military post was located at Bagrationovsk.
- e. Gvardeysk (N 54-³⁹39, E 21-⁰⁵05): A non-restricted area in which an important military post was located.
- f. Ladushkin (N 54-²⁴24, E 20-¹⁴14): An unimportant military garrison was located in the city proper. En route from Kaliningrad to Ladushkin, on the left side of the Kaliningrad-Ladushkin highway and about six to eight kilometers from Ladushkin, was a restricted area (No. 6 on sketch). This restricted zone was three kilometers long, of unknown width, and, reportedly, was the site of an underground aircraft construction plant. (The plant was said to have been in existence when the territory belonged to Germany.) The restricted area was surrounded by a barbed wire fence and guarded by regular army or MVD personnel. The area was well-camouflaged; no buildings were visible above ground and the area appeared to be a dense pine forest.
- g. Pionersk (N 54-⁵⁶56, E 20-¹⁴14): A fishing port, with a large fish cannery, and a hydroelectric plant (No. 1 on sketch) which supplied Kaliningrad with power. An unimportant military post was located in the city. An airfield for jet aircraft was located about eight kilometers from the city, three kilometers to the left of the Kaliningrad-Pionersk highway (No. 2 on sketch).

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- h. ⁵⁰⁰ ⁰⁰⁴ Polesak (N 54-52, E 21-08): Polesak, a fishing port, had an unimportant military garrison (ground forces). A hydroelectric station (No. 8 on sketch), which supplied Kaliningrad with electric power, was located about 300 to 400 meters north of the city outskirts.
- i. ²⁰¹ Payze: A small fishing port with a large fish cannery. Between this small village and the Baltic Sea was located an important hydroelectric station (No. 4 on sketch) which supplied power to Kaliningrad.
- j. Mamonovo (N 54-28, E 19-57): A military garrison, composed of ground forces and a border patrol unit, was stationed in this city.
- k. ²⁰¹ Pravdinsk (N 54-20, E 21-01): An important military garrison (ground forces) was located in the city. Two hydroelectric stations were located within the city limits. About two kilometers distant from the city and some four to five kilometers to the right of the Niven-skoye-Abelwangen-Charkhov highway was an airfield for jet aircraft (No. 7 on sketch). (Although the afore-mentioned highway is not indicated on available maps it was not a newly-constructed road.)
- l. Gusev (N 54-36, E 22-13): Located in this city (formerly known as Gumbinnen) was an important military garrison as well as an artillery target range.
- m. ²⁰¹ Sovetsk (N 55-06, E 21-50): This large city (German name, Tilsit) had an important military garrison, a border patrol unit, a target range, an airfield equipped with runways for jet aircraft (No. 12 on sketch), and a port on the Neman River. The airfield was located about eight kilometers from Sovetsk, about two or three kilometers to the left of the highway which entered the city from Gvardysk (N 54-39, E 21-02) and Belshakovo.

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Legend for sketch of Kaliningradskaya oblast

1. Hydroelectric station.
2. Airfield.
3. Naval Shipyard No. 820.
4. Hydroelectric station.
5. Airfield (identical to the airfield numbered 1 on sketch, page 5).
6. Restricted area (the reported site of a secret aircraft construction plant).
7. Airfield.
8. Hydroelectric plant.
9. Airfield.
10. Airfield.
11. Target range.
12. Airfield.

Symbols

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